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Former employees mark ER satellite closure

A family reunion for just a few hours

By Eileen Kennedy
Staff writer

WARE — For a short time last Thursday night, June 3, the Mary Lane family was together again.

The former employees met in the closed parking lot of the hospital, which had closed at noon earlier in the day. Trickling into the parking lot one and two at a time, they hugged each other and were joyful upon seeing former coworkers they hadn't seen for some time, and others they had just seen earlier in the day.



WE'RE STILL A FAMILY, WE'RE ALL HAPPY TO SEE EACH OTHER TONIGHT, BUT IT'S SAD, IT FEELS LIKE A WAKE."

PEGGY BAXTER

They laughed, caught up with each other, but they were all sad in the wake of Mary Lane's closure of its satellite emergency facility at noon Thursday.

Baystate Health officials Dr. Mark Kerouack and Molly Gray announced in late January they were closing Mary Lane's emergency and cancer services by the end of June, and the rest of the services at the campus over the following 18 months.

"We're still a family, we're all happy to see each other tonight, but it's sad, it feels like a wake," said Peggy Baxter, who worked at the hospital for 19 years as a non-clinical educator.

"I was actually working here today, it was terrible," said Jennifer Bolduc, who had worked for 10 years as a registered nurse in the ER. "We've taken care of so many people in this small community; the person you're grocery shopping with could be someone you're soon taking care of."

Another described how the Mary Lane sign on the building at the entrance was removed before the hospital actually closed on June 3, and was sawed in half by the workman.

They hugged, joked, told stories, laughed loudly, teased each other and cried for a couple of hours, remembering what it was like to be together.

"What you see here tonight, that's how it was," said Cheryl Joubert, who worked as a nurse. "We all got along, we laughed and joked — everyone was equal, nobody was up on a pedestal. And we knew our patients, we'd see them and say, 'Roger, why are you still smoking?' We really knew them."

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CLASS OF 2021 moves forward together

WARE HIGH SCHOOL

Students with spirit, drive and grit

By Eileen Kennedy
Staff writer

WARE — Last Saturday, Ware Junior Senior High School seniors completed a challenging year and kept moving forward despite continuous change and potential obstacles, according to Principal Gene Rich.

"You did it and I couldn't be more proud," he said during the Class of 2021's graduation ceremony. "I'm not surprised at all." Students stayed composed and on course, and never backed down from dealing with challenges the year presented, he said, noting their spirit, drive and grit.

Rich said the school year saw them unable to do many of the things senior classes usually get to do, with COVID-19 and its



Turley Publications staff photo by Eileen Kennedy

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WJSHS Principal Gene Rich begins the graduation ceremony last Saturday morning.



QUABBOAG REGIONAL

Class of 2021 persevered through adversity, tragedy

By Paula Ouimette
Staff Writer

WARREN — Eighty-eight students from the Quaboag Regional Middle/High School Class of 2021 were honored at the 53rd Commencement held last Saturday morning on the football field. Families and friends braved the heat to congratulate their graduates, who have faced many challenges in their young lives already.

Class President Nicholas Robbins said that "life was so simple and easy," before entering high school. Losing three of their classmates and friends during freshman year made Robbins, and his fel-

Voters show interest in reconvened Charter Commission

By Eileen Kennedy
Staff writer

WARE — Although it wasn't binding, 54% of the Annual Town Meeting voters expressed an interest in a new Charter Commission, while 46% voted no, on May 24 at the Ware Junior Senior High School.

Resident Terrance Smith put together a petition signed by himself and 17 others, asking Town Manager Stuart Beckley to put together a new Charter Commission.

Smith had said it is time to fold the amendments that have been made to the 2007 Town Charter into the document itself and also to add another amendment holding SelectBoard members to account on their actions by providing a code of conduct and ethics as well as a procedure for their removal if necessary.

Town Moderator Kathleen Coulombe told Smith that the way to start a new Charter Commission would be to have 15% of the town's voters sign a petition saying they wanted that to happen. If enough signatures were certified, then it would go on the next town election ballot to be decided by voters, she said. The town manager does not

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Third teen charged in Grenville Park attack

By Paula Ouimette
Staff Writer

WARE — Last Thursday, June 4, Ware Police arrested Daniel Eckert, age 19, of 112 Glendale Circle after naming him as a person of interest in the Friday, May 7 attack on 26-year-old Ware resident, Shiloh Skerritt. Tips from witnesses and video recordings of the event led to Eckert's arrest.

A second, more aggressive attack occurred on Skerritt on Saturday, May 8, involving a 15-year-old male and an 11-year-old male. During this attack, Skerritt's shoulder was broken.

Eckert appeared in Eastern Hampshire District Court in Belchertown on Friday, June 4, where he was charged with assault and battery on a person with an intellectual disability and assault and battery with a dangerous weapon (shod foot).

Eckert plead not guilty to the charges and was released

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Turley Publications Photo by Karen Lewis
Taking time for a selfie before the ceremony are Quabbin soon to be graduates (l-r) Sydney Bolger, Emma Ljungberg and Alison Michalik.

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Spencer man suspected of murdering Molly Bish

Named a person of interest, DA seeks additional information

By Eileen Kennedy
Staff writer

WARREN — A Spencer man, who died in 2016, was named on



Francis "Frank" P. Sumner Sr.

June 3 as a person of interest in the abduction and murder of 16-year-old Molly Bush almost 21 years ago. She was taken from Comins Pond in Warren on June 27,

2000, where she worked as a lifeguard, and her remains were found in Palmer on Whiskey Hill almost three years later.

Francis "Frank" P. Sumner Sr. has been named a person of interest in the murder of Molly Bush, Worcester County District Attorney

Joseph D. Early Jr. announced on June 3.

Sumner, who died in 2016, is being investigated in the 2000 murder of the 16-year-old after investigators recently received new information. Sumner, born in 1945, was active in the Central Massachusetts area from 1960 through 2016. He was known to operate auto repair shops in the Spencer, Leicester and Worcester areas. Sumner lived in Spencer prior to his death.

Investigators are looking for tips from the public, specifically for information relative to Sumner's employment practices/personnel, associates, vehicles, travel and any known habits.

Bish's family and Early's office have run several tip campaigns regarding Molly Bish's murder over the last few years.

According to published reports, Sumner was convicted of kidnapping and aggravated assault of another 16-year-old girl in the early 1980s, and served time in prison for the crime.

This announcement comes just weeks before the 21st anniversary of Molly's disappearance from Comins Pond in Warren on June 27, 2000. Molly Bish was a resident of Warren and was working as a lifeguard at the pond. Some

amendment procedure.

The article called for a simply written procedure to remove and dismiss SelectBoard members for violations of a code of conduct for the office, including workplace harassment, sexual harassment, discrimination, ethics, convicted felonies and verbal embarrassments against other town employees or other elected or appointed town officials.

Smith said when he moved to Ware 25 years ago, he said the selectmen's meetings were an embarrassment.

"The darn Board of Selectmen meetings were like a television show, people pulled out popcorn and watched them, hoping everyone argued and fought," Smith said. "It



Molly Bish, 16, disappeared from her Comins Pond lifeguard job on the morning on June 27, 2000. Her remains were found almost three years later on Whiskey Hill in Palmer. A Spencer man has been named as a person of interest.

personal possessions, such as her Quaboag Regional High School identification card, were found at Comins Pond. Her disappearance set off a massive search.

Her remains were found nearly three years later in the woods of Whiskey Hill in nearby Palmer.

State Police Detectives assigned to the Worcester County District Attorney's Office encourage anyone with information on Sumner or any additional information on the Molly Bish case to call the anonymous tip line at 508-453-7575.

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Are You Old News?

Each week the Ware River News digs into its submitted photo archives and selects a people photo to publish. We need your help to help identify those pictured.

Email your answers by Monday at noon to ekennedy@turley.com.



Last week's photo was of Elizabeth Desjardins, who sold 1,104 boxes of Girl Scout cookies, making it the second year in a row she was the top seller in the Pioneer Valley.

If you recognized either or both of the two men in this week's photo please send their names and your full name to ekennedy@turley.com.

Summer Solstice celebration is June 19

HARDWICK — The Hardwick

Historical Society and the Friends of the Paige Memorial Library invite all to a celebration of the Summer Solstice on Saturday, June 19, from 5 to 8 p.m., on the Hardwick Common. Bring blankets or chairs and a picnic for your family. Listen to and perhaps dance to the music of The Otters, which is sponsored by a grant from the Hardwick/

New Braintree Cultural Council. There will be hot dogs, root beer floats with ice cream from Rondeau's Dairy Bar and cookies for purchase. Materials will be available for craft projects.

Join them for an evening to celebrate the longest day of the year and the beginning of summer. Dress for the event in tie-dye clothes and wear flowers in your hair.

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EDITORIAL

Reaching an educational milestone

High school graduates complete a 13-year journey from kindergarten in elementary school to 12th grade in high school. The journey ends with a graduation ceremony.

For the graduates, it is another educational milestone, but this year it was a little different.

None of their senior was "normal." Instead there were remote classes, some in-person classes and finally for the last few months of school, students and teachers in the classrooms full-time figuring out to socialize again and learn in the classroom together.

Many senior year activities proms, Winter Carnivals, other dances, field trips and so much more was up ended.

They should be congratulated for persevering, for trying hard even when things changed quickly, for remaining flexible and trying to go with the flow when possible.

Some graduates directly enter the workforce or military. Others opt to attend a post graduate certificate program, a two-year or four-year college. Many decided last year to postpone entering a program by working for a year or two to help defray the cost of an education, but this years it seems more students have decided to head right to college.

High school graduation is a big deal. Graduation ceremonies involve a lot of planning on the part of school administrators, staff and faculty. Family members look forward to attending loved ones graduations, and never was that more true than this year. What would be allowed? How many family members would get to attend? Where would they get to sit together or apart? For the seniors, the ceremony has special meaning since it is the last time their class is together and this year they can celebrate that they truly hung together and "got it done."

The journey of life has many milestones. They pass by all too quickly. For parents, it seems like yesterday they heard their child's cry as they were born, watched them take a first step, head off to school or saw them read a book all by themselves. Now, their child completes high school and heads into independence and adult life.

Whatever pathway people select after high school, it may not be the one they end up taking. It may be just a wrong turn. Anyone can turn around and take a different path.

So take time to congratulate the members of the Class of 2021 in your town or workplace. They put one foot in front of the other and kept moving toward their goals.

This week's Ware River News features the Ware Junior Senior High School graduation and senior photos as well as the Quaboag and Quabbin Regional High School graduation ceremonies.

Congratulations to the members of the Class of 2021 as they pass another milestone in their life, which will be one to remember. They'll have plenty of stories about it to share with their future family and friends.

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Late spring questions for the Garden Lady

This question came from Peggy, who gardens in Belchertown: "I always enjoy reading your column, and finally I got up the nerve to ask you a question. Last year, and for the first time ever, I grew elephant's ears. Just as you said to do, I dug them up before the first frost. They looked so good, surprisingly, that I kept three of them in pots in a room on the north side of my house where they only received a bit of indirect sunlight each day. I watered them throughout the winter and they put out some new growth. When the danger of frost had passed, I brought them directly outside of the room they were in, figuring I would harden them off before planting them in the garden. Before long, however, the leaves yellowed and turned brown in patches. Do you have a guess as to what happened?"

I am surmising your plants got scalded from the wind and/or the sun. The intensity of the light change from a nearly dark room to outdoors with the wind on top of that, likely shocked the plant. I recommend you cut back any foliage that is too far gone and move the pots to a very protected, shady area. With any hope, the plants will regrow and you will get some enjoyment out of them this summer.



Roberta McQuaid

When frost threatens, unearth the tubers and store in them in a pot of vermiculite or wrap in paper and store in empty pots at fifty degrees. Pre-start them in a sunny window in late March and gradually acclimate to the outdoors in mid-May. Good luck!

Cutworms

Cutworms are a big problem right now. I have seen many in my own garden. Here is an updated version of answers to a question that ran a few years back, figuring you may find it useful.

I ran into my old friend Don at the dentist office when this question arose: "I planted a lot of cabbage a few weeks back and in the morning I notice that some of the plants are cut off, right at the base. What is doing this? I find it strange that they aren't exactly eaten, just lying there!"

The pest you mention is the dreaded cutworm. There is nothing more disappointing to visit the garden and see the pepper or broccoli plant that you nurtured indoors for weeks or months chopped down at the soil line in a single night and left there to wither in the sun. According to Barbara Pleasant in "The Gardener's Bug Book," (Storey Publishing \$14.95) cutworms are most active at night. It

is then that the moth larvae circle around the plant to grab a bite or two. Efficient as they are at eating, this snack is all they need for now, but left to their own devices they can ravage the garden of its tender seedlings in just a few evenings. Cutworm collars are the first line of defense. Simply encircle them with strips of heavy paper buried a couple of inches deep. Pint-sized ice cream containers with the bottom cut off or the waxy containers that soy milk or orange juice come in work great too and are easily cut to the right size with a pair of scissors. If you already lost a few plants, dig around in the soil next to them and chances are you'll find the soft, hairless caterpillar nearby. Be brave and squish it. Better yet feed it to your chickens, mine find them especially tasty. One wife's tale was to put a long nail next to the seedlings. I tried it once, still had cutworms, then had to get all the nails out of my garden!

Roberta McQuaid graduated from the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts. For the last 28 years, she has held the position of staff horticulturalist at Old Sturbridge Village. She enjoys growing food as well as flowers. Have a question for her? Email it to ekennedy@turley.com with "Gardening Question" in the subject line.

COMMENTS ON CONGRESS

Can the U.S. sustain the international order?

By Lee H. Hamilton
Guest columnist

We don't often think that how the U.S. conducts itself at home has much impact on how we face the world, but it does. You'd be amazed at how closely people in countries all over the globe follow events here and count on the United States to lead the way. When it's messy at home, it's hard to sustain the strength and readiness to turn our attention outward.

Doing so is especially important right now because what we've come to term "the international order" is under stress. It's not collapsing by any means, but U.S. leadership faces challenges and if we're divided and unsettled at home, it will be much more difficult to respond appropriately.

What is the international order? It's essentially the set of structures and values that evolved during the 20th century to resolve disputes, promote commerce and free trade, undergird economic development and investment, further contacts and exchanges between nations and their citizens, and protect human rights. It's based on mutually-negotiated rules and initiatives that, in a well-functioning world, are promoted by institutions such as the UN, the International Monetary Fund and World Bank, the World Trade Organization, the World Health Organization, and others.

These days, though, it's fair to say that there's no aspect of the order we once took for granted that isn't at least facing questions.

This is in part because, at the moment, both China and Russia are asserting their interests and, often, working actively to undermine ours. At the same time, the U.S. role is less prominent than it once was. Our allies, especially after the four years of the Trump administration, are uncertain of our commitment to global leadership given that we questioned longtime alliances, withdrew from institutions, pulled out of international accords, and in general pulled back from the web of alliances and agreements that we had helped shape in earlier years. Understandably, our friends and allies wonder how much they can count on us and our adversaries are eager to test us.

At the same time, forces beyond the control of any government are reshaping the global picture. Nationalism is stronger, conflicts between countries seem to be ratcheting up, and many societies are struggling with growing diversity, declining tolerance, and a turn toward authoritarianism. On the whole, international power is less concentrated and more widely distributed, which presents challenges to global institutions and makes it more difficult to pursue much-needed reforms within them.

In this situation, it's crucial that democracies such as the U.S., Europe, Japan, and Canada recognize the importance of the role they play in sustaining and revitalizing the international order. It's by no means a given that it can endure, but the democracies have an advantage: for many people around the world, the more authoritarian alternatives are not especially appealing.

Even so, the work of strengthening the world order will require a concerted effort that blends both cooperation and firmness. We have to strengthen our alliances of course, as well as shore up and broaden arms control efforts. Countering authoritarianism in all its facets will be an ongoing challenge. And we need constantly to gauge how best to be a benign world power, helping to resolve conflicts and slow to use force—not ruling it out, but relying on it wisely and only when necessary.

Finally, as I suggested at the beginning, our strength on all these fronts will come from making sure that we are strong at home: that our economy is robust, our finances and debt are manageable, our elections are fair and well run, our infrastructure is revitalized, we invest in the future of our businesses through research and development, and we invest in the future of the American people by focusing attention on education and skills development. If we can do all that, then we will have earned the right to lead the world in navigating the challenges facing the international order.

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SOCIAL SECURITY MATTERS

Will my retirement benefits be cut because of my state pension?

By Russell Gloor
Guest columnist

Dear Rusty: I took early retirement at 20 years from the Louisiana public school system in 1996. Since then, I have continued to work in private schools, except for two years in public schools. I now have over 20 years in the Social Security system. Are they going to take money out of my tiny early state retirement check or lower my Social Security check? Is it true I can continue working and draw Social Security? I have reached full retirement age - I am 68. Signed: State Retiree

won't be affected).

The amount of the reduction to your Social Security benefit will depend upon the number of years of "significant" earnings you have been contributing to the Social Security program. With 20 or fewer years of Social Security-covered earnings, you would incur the maximum WEP reduction, which is either a) 50% of your state pension amount, or b) the maximum WEP reduction for your "eligibility year" (the year you turned 62, which I believe was 2015). In the case of b), the maximum WEP reduction to your Social Security benefit would be \$413/month.

Since you say you have "over 20 years" contributing to Social Security, be aware that the size of the WEP reduction to your Social Security will be smaller for each year over 20 that you have significant Social Security-covered earnings. For example, with 21 years of Social Security earnings, your WEP reduction would be \$371/month; with 25 years of Social Security contributions your WEP reduction would be \$206/month; and with 30 years of Social Security contributions, WEP would no longer apply. As you can see, the WEP reduction to your Social Security benefit decreases proportionally with each year over 20 that you have significant earnings and contribute to Social Security, and WEP disappears

with 30 years of significant Social Security earnings.

Be aware that WEP will not affect you until you are collecting both your state pension and your Social Security benefit, and that for each full year you continue to work and contribute to Social Security the WEP reduction will diminish. And since you've passed your full retirement age you can collect Social Security and work without your benefits being affected. But, in any case, you shouldn't delay claiming your Social Security benefit past age 70 because that is when your Social Security benefit will reach maximum.

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restrictions making them impossible. "You refused to let that get in your way," he said. "You're now highly experienced, well prepared and ready to move on."

He shared his advice for them: you have your identity so stay the course, do things that make you happy, don't be afraid to fail and always seek to evolve.

"When you fail, accept it and move on, and don't let your failures define you," Rich said. "And don't settle."

Class President Sydney DiMarzio said the 64 seniors walked the journey of high school together, and she will be very interested to see where those 64 unique roads end up.

When they were younger students, they looked forward to being older students who could play high school soccer or get their driver's licenses, and if it were possible to turn back the clock, it would be tempting to do so, she said.

She urged her fellow students to use their intelligence to make the world a better place. "Be proud of your roots, and if you get lost, there are the people back home to fall back on," she said. "Be patient, humble and kind, and be true to yourself."

Valedictorian Hailey Hernandez told her fellow students, "we're the grownups now." She urged them not gaze backward and to have no regrets.

She reminded them everyone makes mistakes, and perfection is monotonous, adding when the pressure made her feel isolated, she took comfort in knowing her classmates were in the exact same boat.

"Remember to be proud of what you've accomplished today," Hernandez told the seniors.

Salutatorian Lexie Orszulak said the senior class was already accomplished, with 50% of the 64 seniors having a 3.5 or higher GPA and 15% having a 4.0 or higher GPA.

She urged her classmates to look for the light in the darkest situations. "The best is yet to come,"



WJSHS graduates leave the risers in front of the audience after graduation.

Orszulak said. "We've made our mark here."

School Superintendent Dr. Marlene DiLeo acknowledged the global pandemic had turned part of the junior year and their entire senior year upside down.

"You made the best of a bad situation," DiLeo said. "Through adversity comes opportunity." She congratulated them for persevering.

"You are living through history," she said. "These graduates will tell their children and their grandchildren about living through a pandemic."

She remembered many of the seniors as younger children. "Some of us entered the system in 2008 at the same time," she said. "I helped tie their shoes and wipe their tears, and it's been a great honor to

watch them grow. DiLeo was formerly the principal of Stanley M. Koziol Elementary School and then of WJSHS before becoming superintendent.

"Decide what kind of difference you want to make in this world," she urged them.

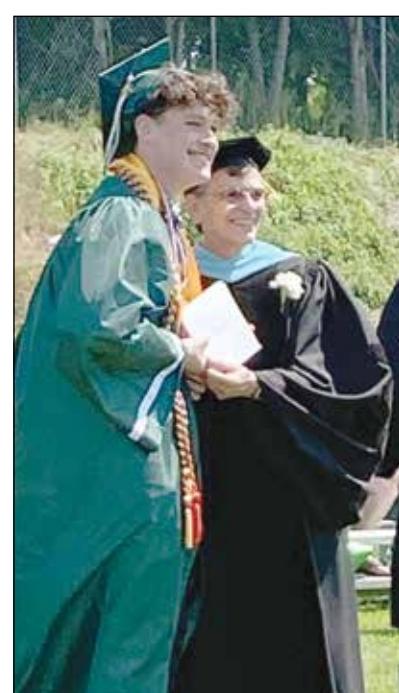
Rich then certified the Class of 2021 had met all the requirements to graduate and presented them to DiLeo, who then handed out diplomas to each student.



Class advisor Scott Slattery helps students time their walks to get their diplomas.



Seniors, and now graduates, move their tassels from one side of their mortar boards to the other following their class being certified and presented to Ware School Superintendent Dr. Marlene DiLeo.



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Rockeem Schneider Handfield receives his diploma and congratulations from Ware School Superintendent Dr. Marlene DiLeo.

Sean Moriarty looks to the audience as he receives his diploma from Ware School Superintendent Dr. Marlene DiLeo.



Valedictorian Hailey Hernandez addresses friends, family and fellow students during Saturday's graduation ceremony.



The gates to the Ware Junior Senior High School football field were decorated in welcoming school colors for graduation.



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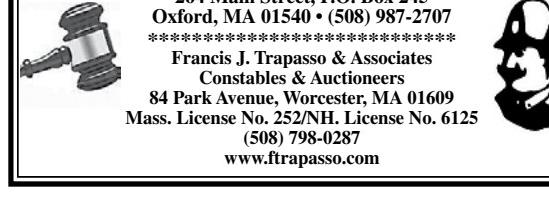
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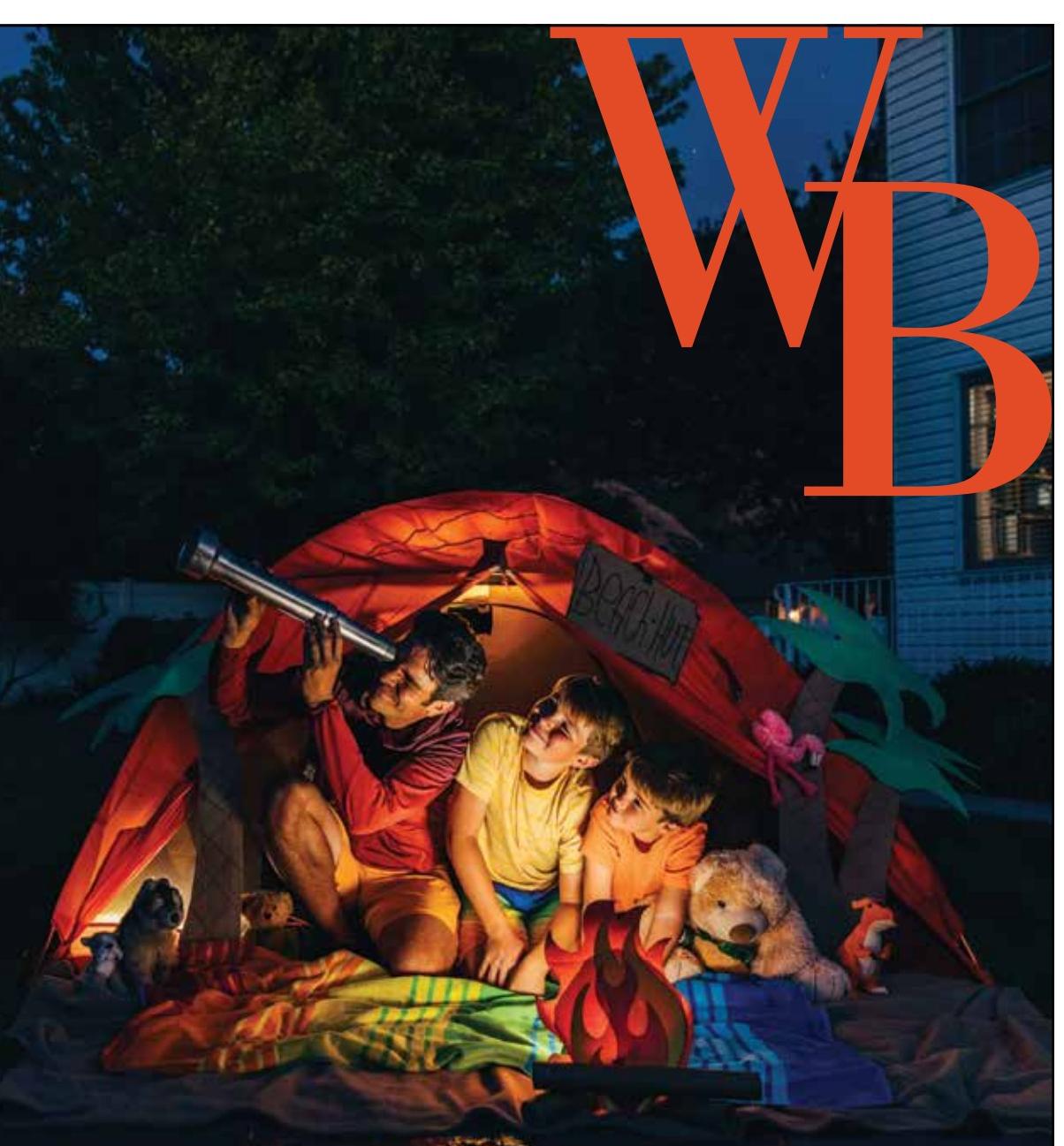
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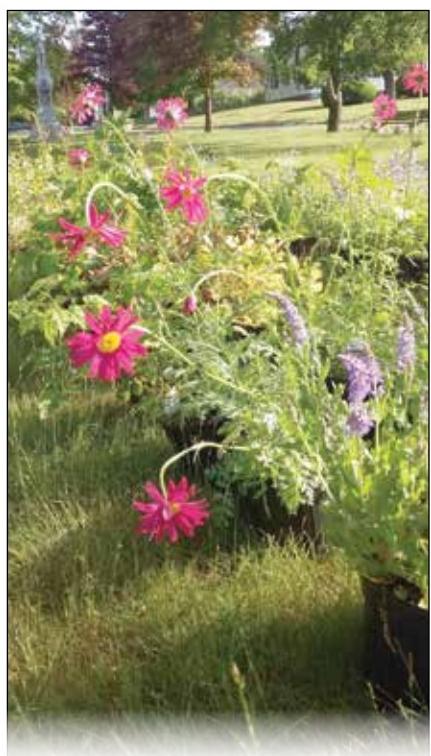


Tri Parish Community Church holds plant sale

HARDWICK — Everyone has heard the saying "It takes a Village to raise a child," well the Tri-Parish knows it takes a community to have a successful plant sale. The church had a great weekend and thanks the entire community to thank.

So many folks helped to make the annual fund raiser a success on June 5 and June 6 on the Hardwick Common, from vendors and volunteers, to all the wonderful people, who stopped to admire, and then purchase an amazing variety of annuals and perennials.

The perfect weather provided the opportunity to browse the vendor booths, baked goods and plant tables while visiting with neighbors and friends and just enjoying the day. Special thanks to Inishowen Farm, of North Brookfield, Chicken Feather Farm and Stillman's Farm, of New Braintree, Hartman's Herb Farm, in Barre, and the private gardeners who supplied all the plants offered for sale.



Turley Publications Courtesy Photo
Some of the plants on sale at the annual Tri-Parish Community Church plant sale last weekend on Hardwick Common.



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"Pomp and Circumstance" is performed by the Quaboag Regional Saxophone Ensemble.

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low classmates, "put everything under a microscope." After the tragedy, high school became a blur, Robbins said.

The last year and few months continued to cause discord in many of the student's lives. "Everyone's sense of normalcy was uprooted and changed completely," Robbins said, with the COVID-19 pandemic and political upheaval. Robbins said despite the challenges they faced, both in the community and the world at large, they persevered. "We did it," he said.

Known not only for their resilience in the face of adversity, the Class of 2021 was also the first class to successfully pull off a "legitimate" senior prank in 10 years, Robbins said.

Superintendent of Schools Dr. Brett Kustigian noted that this was the first year that multiple children of School Committee members were graduating. Kustigian thanked administrators, facilities staff and teaching staff for all of their efforts to make this ceremony possible. Dr. Kustigian said he felt "closer to this class than any other," as he has known them for 13 years.

"I've watched you grow over time, and I am so very proud of each and every one of you," he said.

Kustigian reminded the Class of 2021 that "no one can stop or slow down time," and to take their time to enjoy life. After dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic since last year, these students also faced an unexpected, delayed start to their senior year due to mold issues in the school. Dr. Kustigian said the Class of 2021 was, "The most determined, most likely to help others," and said they were "more prepared for the future than any other class," due to the overwhelming challenges they overcame. Quoting Walt Disney, Kustigian said, "all the adversity I've had in my life, all my troubles and obstacles, have strengthened me...you may not realize it when it happens, but a kick in the teeth may be the best thing in the world for you."

Agreeing with Class President Robbins about their sense of humor and penchant for pranks, Kustigian fondly remembered arriving at the school one day to find a "School for Sale" sign replacing the "Welcome to Quaboag" sign.

Principal Stephen Duff said, "there has always been a glue that holds this group together." He said they have overcome every challenge and he is "proud of each and every one of you."

The keynote speaker was Deborah A. Day, Steam Outreach Coordinator at Smith College and Quaboag Regional High School graduate of the Class of 1984. Day urged the students to "show up and be present" and "say yes to opportunities as they arise." She said staying in one's comfort zone, was a "great enemy" to creativity, and that showing up and being present can be uncomfortable but is necessary for growth.

Day shared a story of a challenge that placed her far from her comfort zone, when she decided to sew her junior prom dress on her own, making "something out of nothing." Day reminded the students that they are their greatest assets and to "trust their



Turley Publications staff photos by Paula Ouimette
Students are congratulated by family and friends after graduation.

training," they have received in their years at Quaboag.

Class Valedictorian Sadie Bridges said that while life is rarely perfect, she is "so very grateful for every sliver of kindness" she has received from her classmates and school staff. "All of you are complex and deserving of happiness," she said.

Salutatorian Hannah Martin said she was going to "bust the myth" that their high school years were the best years of their lives, although they did have "beautiful moments." Martin said, "We've been faced with tragedy, conflict and pandemic, and carried on with mosaic broken hearts." She concluded by telling her classmates, "It's time to go."

The Class of 2021 gifted a new digital display sign for the front of the school. Principal Duff thanked the class for the generous gift, and jokingly asked if it was going to say, "School for Sale."



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Quaboag senior Liam Flynn accepts his diploma last Saturday during the school's commencement.

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League rivals renewed acquaintances

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

HOLYOKE—After the 2020 high school boys volleyball season was canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Ware head coach Steve Jarvis and Holyoke head coach Paula Conway are very happy to be coaching their teams again this spring.

Ware, who suffered a 3-0 loss at Holyoke High School on May 19, made another trip to John ‘Jinx’ O’Connor Gymnasium last Wednesday afternoon. The Indians won the opening game in the second meeting, but the Purple Knights prevailed in the next three games and celebrated a 3-1 victory (18-25, 25-21, 25-18, 25-18) in the South Division match.

“We’ve been playing Ware for many years and it has always a very good match between the two teams,” said Conway, who also coaches the Holyoke girls’ volleyball team in the fall. “This was a back-and-forth match today. We just made a couple of adjustments after losing the opening game. Everyone played well.”

Because of COVID rules, no spectators could attend the first two meetings of the regular season between Ware and Holyoke.

The Purple Knights, who lost their first match of the season at Southwick, 3-2, on May 21, had a 6-1 overall record following the second meeting of the regular season against the Indians.

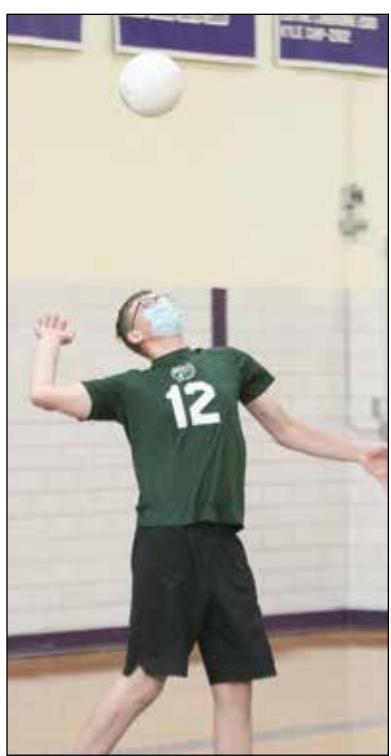
“We didn’t get to play any matches last year,” Conway said. “It doesn’t really matter if we have a 6-1 record or a 1-6 record because the most important thing to me is the kids are having fun playing volleyball again.”

Five of the nine players listed on the Holyoke roster are first-year members of the team. The five newcomers are senior Nathan Bowie, junior Jomar Colon, sophomore Willie Lopez, freshman

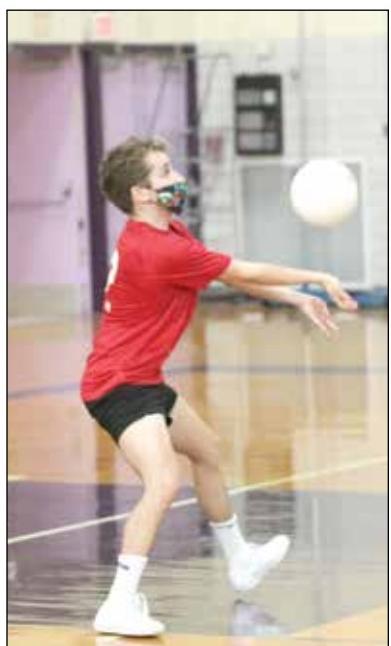
Michael Polak sends a long hit over the net.



Vincent Chiaravalle reaches out to keep the ball in play.



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Jack Tweedie serves for the Indians.



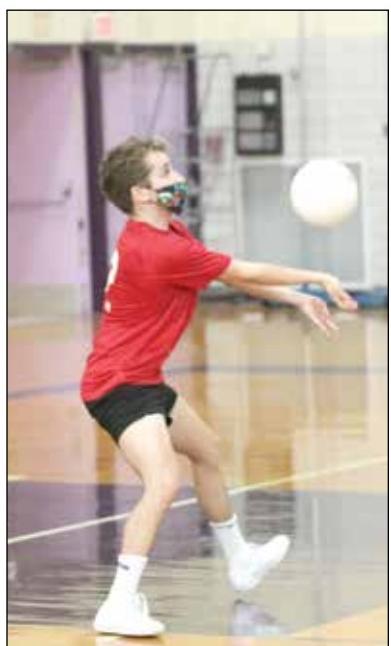
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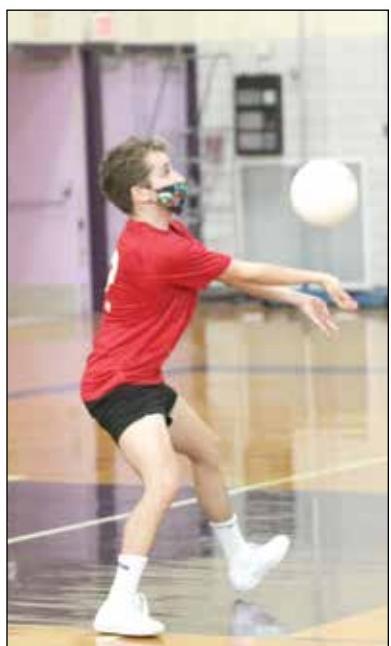
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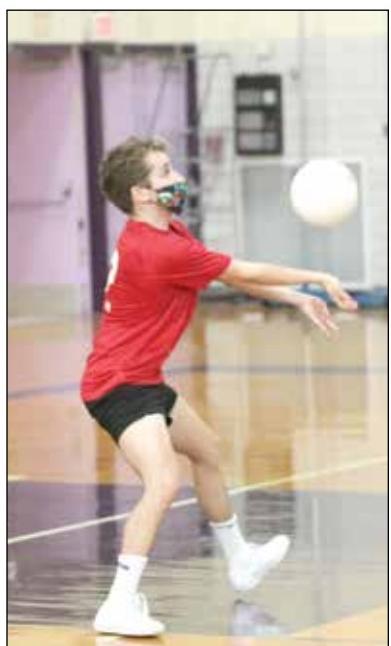
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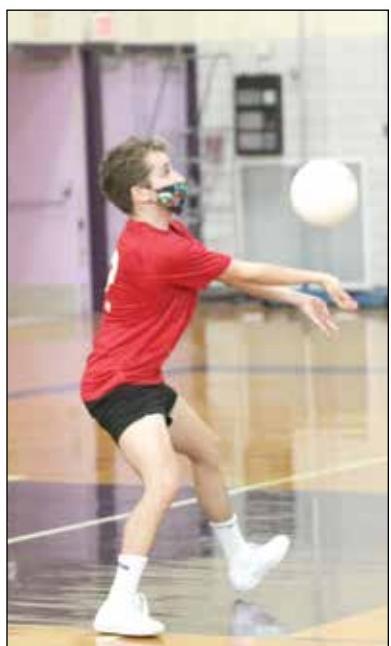
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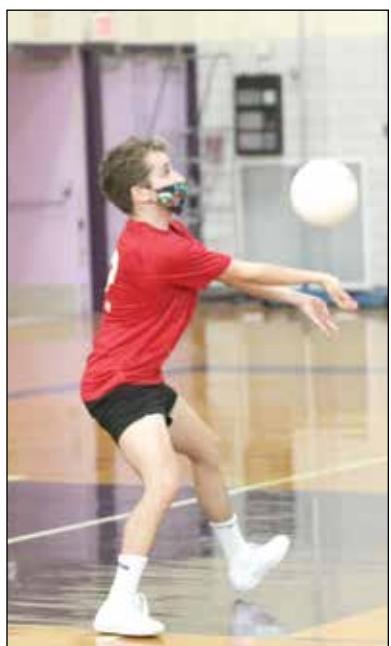
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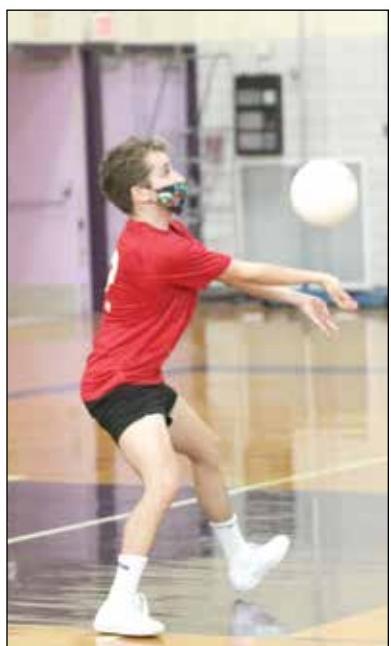
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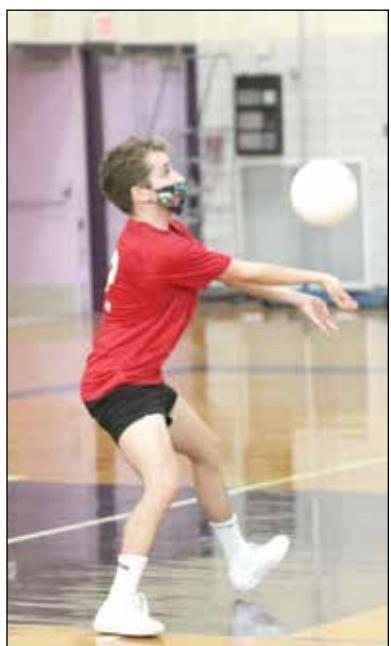
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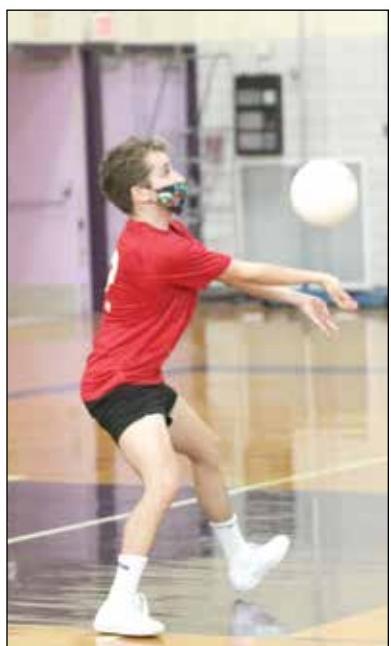
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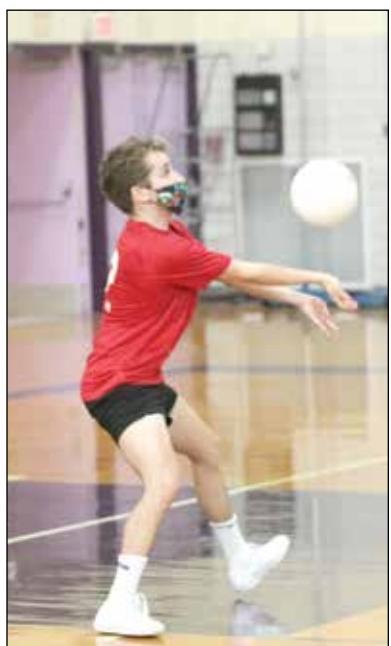
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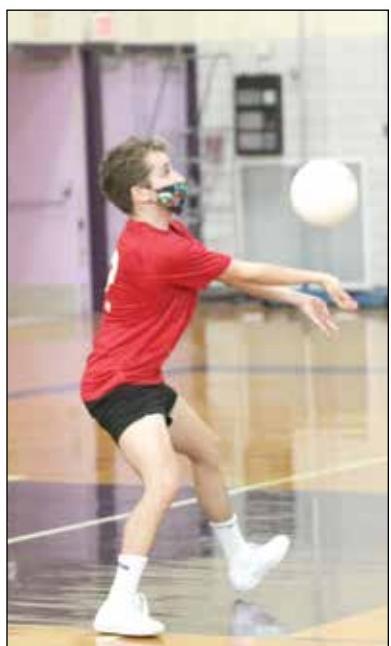
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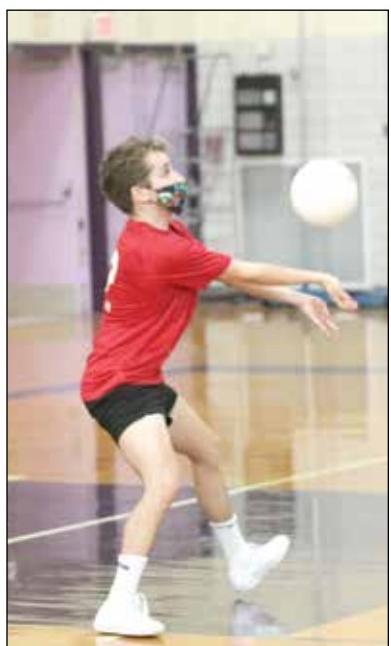
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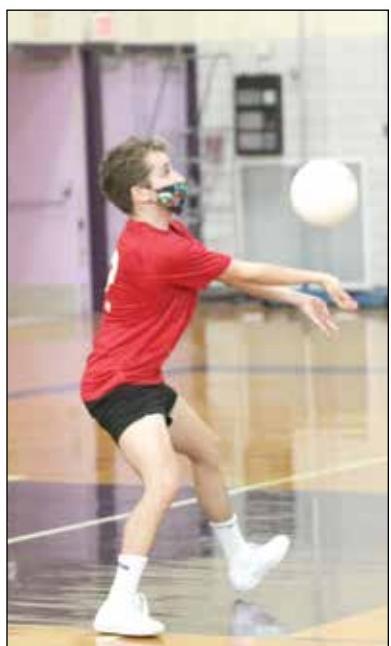
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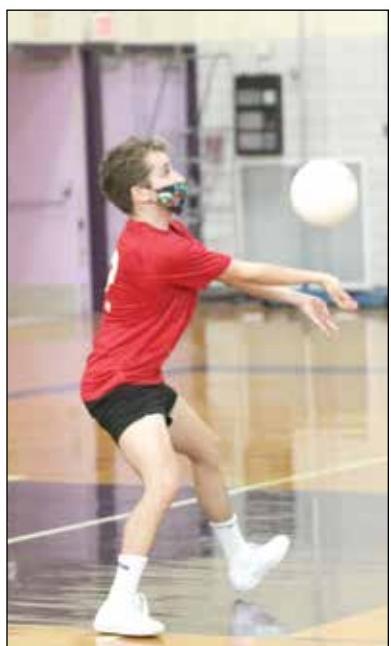
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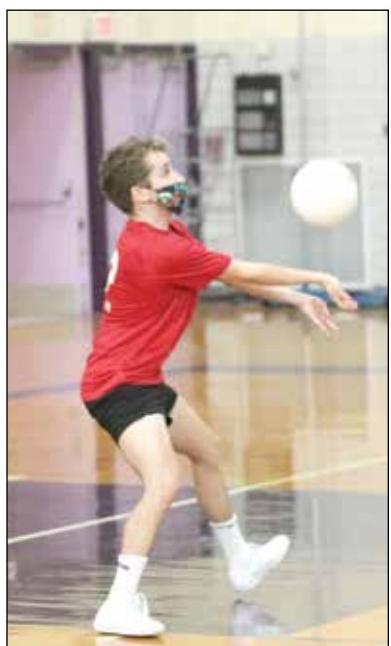
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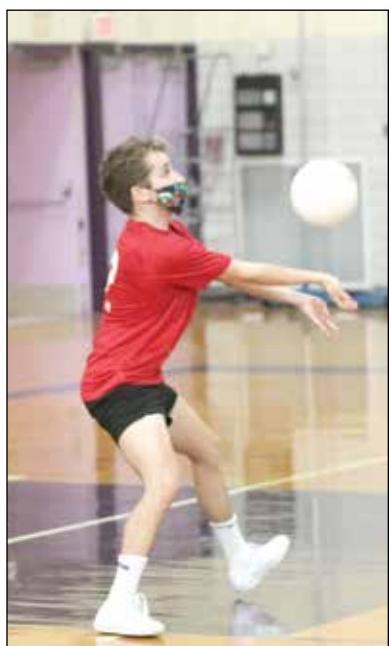
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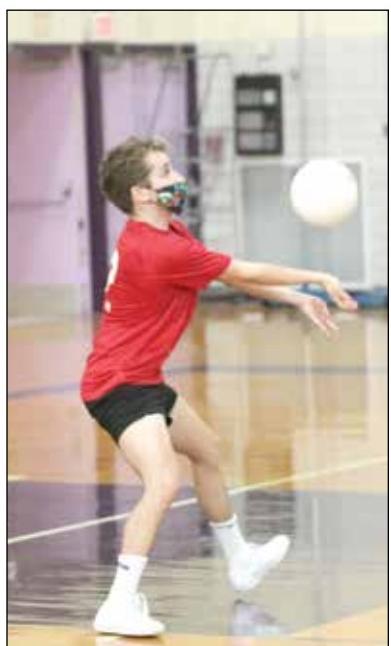
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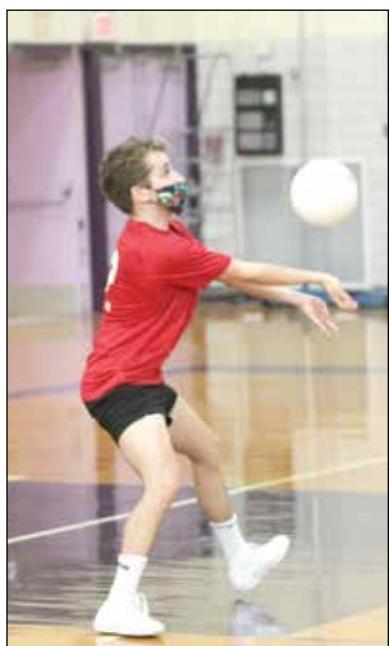
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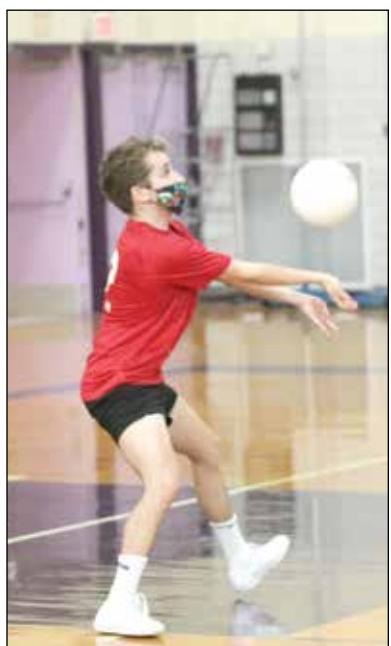
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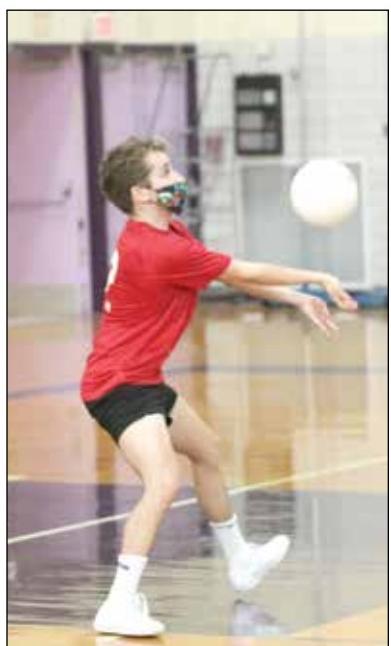
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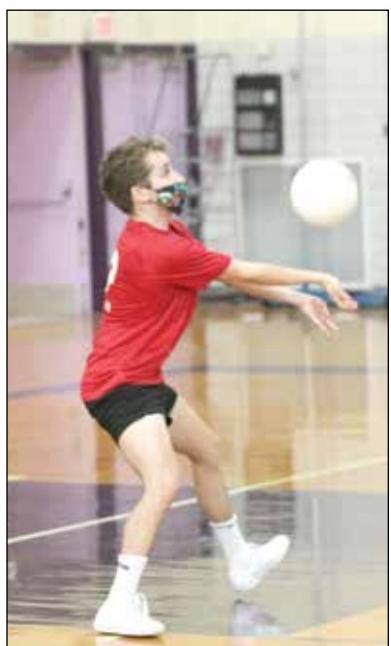
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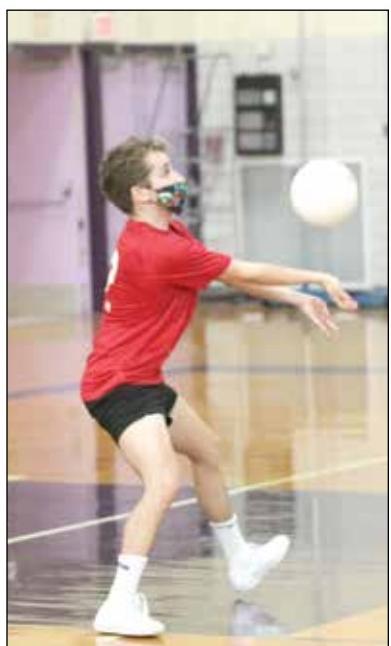
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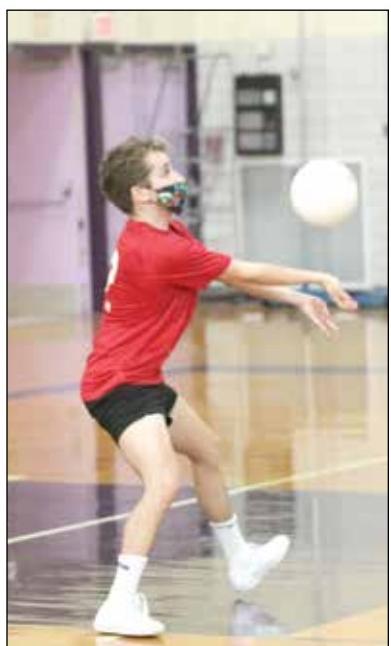
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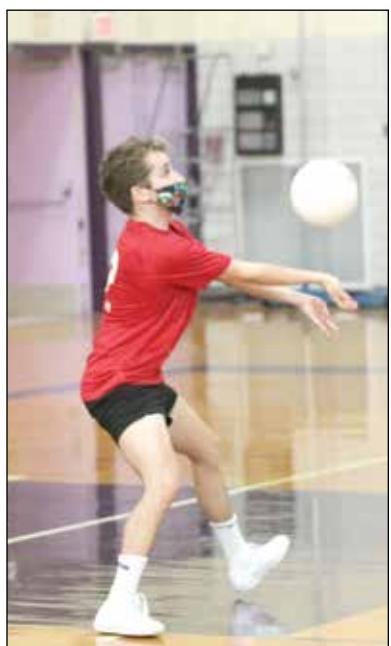
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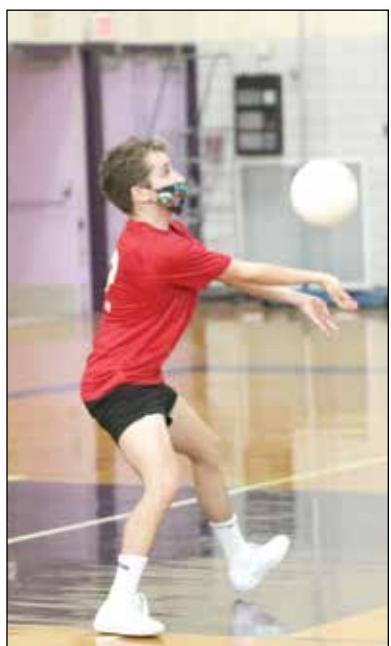
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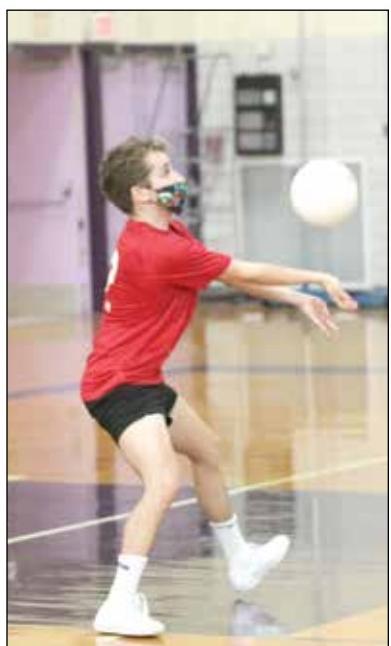
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Public safety

Ware Police Log

Monday, May 31

10:30 a.m. Ambulance Request Quarry Street – Investigated, Report Filed
5:27 p.m. Motor Vehicle Violation East Street – Written Warning
7:20 p.m. Suspicious Activity/Person Walker Road – Arrest, Misdemeanor Charge
Arrest: Charles A. Elmore, 45, Gilbertville
OUI-Drugs; Negligent Operation of Motor Vehicle; Drug, Possess Class B
9:41 p.m. Accident, Motor Vehicle Church Street – Accident Over \$1,000

Tuesday, June 1

11:25 a.m. Ambulance Request Old Gilbertville Road – Services Rendered
11:42 a.m. Alarm Burglar Main Street – Services Rendered
2:58 p.m. Accident (Hit and Run) West Street – Are Searched Negative Find
3:15 p.m. Ambulance Request West Street – Services Rendered
3:33 p.m. Vandalism North Street – Services Rendered
11:45 p.m. Motor Vehicle Violation West Street – Written Warning

Wednesday, June 2

2:09 a.m. Motor Vehicle Violation Upper Church Street – Citation Issued
4:40 a.m. Motor Vehicle Violation South Street – Written Warning
6:07 a.m. Motor Vehicle Violation Belchertown Road – Written Warning
9:25 a.m. Ambulance Request Greenwich Plains Road – Services Rendered
10:04 a.m. Trespassing Complaint Shady Path – Services Rendered
10:15 a.m. Motor Vehicle Violation Church Street – Written Warning
1:26 p.m. Vandalism High Meadow Lane – Services Rendered
1:43 p.m. Ambulance Request West Street – Services Rendered
3:31 p.m. Trespassing Complaint North Street – Services Rendered
4:37 p.m. Motor Vehicle Violation Belchertown Road – Criminal Complaint Issued
5:52 p.m. Vandalism South Street – Services Rendered
6:01 p.m. Ambulance Request Belchertown Road – Referred to Other Agency
6:46 p.m. Fraud North Street – Investigation Pending

9:49 p.m. Missing Person Hillside Village – Investigated, Report Filed

Thursday, June 3

12:42 a.m. Alarm Burglar West Street – Services Rendered
4:50 a.m. Ambulance Request North Street – Services Rendered
7:48 a.m. Ambulance Request Belchertown Road – Referred to Other Agency
11:39 a.m. Ambulance Request Old Poor Farm Road – Services Rendered
11:43 a.m. Motor Vehicle Violation Greenwich Road – Written Warning
3:30 p.m. Shoplifting Main Street – Services Rendered
6:15 p.m. Abandoned, 911 Call Clinton Street – Services Rendered
7:51 p.m. Larceny, Theft Report West Main Street – Investigated
10:49 p.m. Motor Vehicle Violation Main Street – Written Warning

Friday, June 4

12:51 a.m. Motor Vehicle Violation Palmer Road – Citation Issued
2:45 a.m. Ambulance Request Highland Village – Services Rendered
3:29 a.m. Ambulance Request Upper North Street – Services Rendered
4:48 p.m. Abandoned, 911 Call West Street – Services Rendered
7:10 p.m. Fire, Report Highland Street – Services Rendered
7:32 p.m. Ambulance Request Old Gilbertville Road – Referred to Other Agency
7:45 p.m. Ambulance Request East Court – Services Rendered

Saturday, June 5

10:48 a.m. Accident, Vehicle Motor Vehicle Malboeuf Road – Motor Vehicle Accident Over \$1,000
1:45 p.m. Accident, Vehicle Palmer Road – Services Rendered
5 p.m. Motor Vehicle Violation West Street – Arrest, Misdemeanor Charge
Arrest: Giovanna D. Brown, 24, Ware
License Suspended, Operate Motor Vehicle With; Reckless Endangerment of Child; Reckless Endangerment of Child; Reckless Endangerment of Child; Attaching Plates; Uninsured Motor Vehicle; Speeding Rate of Speed Exceeding Posted Limit
7:19 p.m. Motor Vehicle Violation West Street – Citation

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Issued

9:09 p.m. Motor Vehicle Violation Citation issued
11 p.m. Motor Vehicle Violation Greenwich Plains Road – Citation Issued

Sunday, June 6

6:13 a.m. Ambulance Request Pleasant Street – Services Rendered
8:22 a.m. Accident (Hit and Run) Shady Path – Referred to Other Agency

9 a.m. Accident, Vehicle South Street – Motor Vehicle Accident Over \$1,000

10:11 a.m. Accident (Hit and Run) Palmer Road – Motor Vehicle Accident Over \$1,000

11:02 a.m. Ambulance Request Coffey Hill Road – Services Rendered

11:56 a.m. Abandoned, 911 Call Osborne Road – Services Rendered

4:59 p.m. Fire, Report Hillside Village – Referred to Other Agency

5:58 p.m. Ambulance Request North Street – Referred to Other Agency

6:54 p.m. Accident (Hit and Run) West Street – Motor Vehicle Accident Under \$1,000

7:54 p.m. Fire, Report Crescent Terrace – Referred to Other Agency

8:33 p.m. Larceny, Theft Report Otis Avenue – Services Rendered

8:34 p.m. Ambulance Request Dale Street – Referred to Other Agency

9:52 p.m. Suspicious Activity/Person West Street – Arrest, Misdemeanor Charge

Arrest: Sean R. Oregan, 35, Cambridge
OUI-Liquor or .08%; Alcohol in Motor Vehicle, Possess Open Container of

Monday, June 7
12:33 a.m. Ambulance Request Otis Avenue – Services Rendered

New Braintree Police Log

During the weeks of May 24 to 30, the Hardwick/New Braintree Police Department responded to 59 building/property checks, nine directed/area patrols, six radar assignments, three traffic controls, nine emergency 911 calls, 41 motor vehicle stops, two complaints, three safety hazards, one structure fire, one motor vehicle accident and six animal calls in the town of Hardwick.

Tuesday, May 25
10:34 a.m. Initiated – Motor Vehicle Stop Thompson Road – Citation Issued

Thursday, May 27
9:50 a.m. Phone – Safety Hazard Webb Road – Removed Hazard

6:31 p.m. Initiated – Serve Warrant Barre Road – Arrest(s) Made

Friday, May 28
6:20 p.m. Phone – Fire, Other Hardwick Road – Services Rendered

Saturday, May 29
2:51 p.m. Phone – Safety Hazard West Road – Removed Hazard

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Warren Police Log

Sunday, May 23

6:18 p.m. Vandalism Highland Street – Report Filed
8:57 p.m. Assault and Battery Keys Road – Criminal Complaint Summons: Brian P. Fay, 18, Warren

Vandalize Property c266, §126A
9:28 p.m. Vandalism Bridge Street – Officer Spoke to Party

Monday, May 24

5:01 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Brimfield Road – Citation Issued
3:12 p.m. Unconscious/Unresponsive/Syncope Nelligan Terrace – Referred to Other Agency

4:50 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Written Warning
6:52 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Parkview Street – Written Warning

7:07 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Written Warning
7:24 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Written Warning
7:55 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Written Warning

Wednesday, May 26

5:37 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Written Warning
6:54 a.m. Officer Wanted Main Street – Report Filed

5:03 p.m. Erratic Operator Main Street – Arrest(s) Made

Arrest: Kathleen M. Finn, 33, Wilbraham

OUI-Liquor or .08%

Thursday, May 27

8:02 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Keys Road – Citation Issued

4:33 p.m. Animal Bite Bemis

Road – Transported to Hospital
11:09 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Written Warning

Friday, May 28

12:04 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Boston Post Road – Written Warning

6:13 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Written Warning
10:40 a.m. Disorderly Conduct Old West Brookfield Road – Criminal Complaint

Summons: Crystal A. Novak, 42, Warren

Disturbing the Peace; Reckless Operation of Motor Vehicle; Disorderly Conduct; Threat to Commit Crime

3:32 p.m. Property Damage Cutler Road Extension – Investigation (On-going)

Saturday, May 29

3:15 p.m. Threats Keys Road – Report Filed

Outcome

7:47 p.m. Phone – Complaint High Street – Spoken To
11:08 p.m. 911 – Motor Vehicle Accident Greenwich Road – Services Rendered

Friday, May 28

12:13 p.m. 911 – Medical Emergency Patrill Hollow Road – Translated to Hospital

Saturday, May 29

7:23 a.m. Phone – Safety Hazard Barre Road – Taken/Referred to Other Agency

11:41 a.m. Initiated – Safety Hazard Lower Road – Removed Hazard

3:11 p.m. Phone – Safety Hazard Upper Church Street – Taken/Referred to Other Agency

Sunday, May 30

11:54 a.m. 911 – Disabled Motor Vehicle Lower Road – Services Rendered

12:23 p.m. 911 – Hang-up Call North Street – Unfounded

5:21 p.m. 911 – Complaint Hardwick Road – Summons Issued

11:20 p.m. Initiated – Suspicious Activity Prospect Street – Services Rendered

Second Chance receives \$13,000 grant

EAST BROOKFIELD – Second Chance Animal Services is pleased to announce that they received a \$13,000 grant from the Massachusetts Animal Coalition through their "I am Animal Friendly" license plate program.

The grant is to be used to help alleviate the backlog of pets waiting for spay and neuter services. Because COVID-19 has significantly impacted the availability of spay/neuter services, this has resulted in long waiting lists for cats, dogs and rabbits across Massachusetts. MAC has offered this emergency COVID-19 spay/neuter grant funding to shelters, rescues, municipal animal control organizations and high volume spay/neuter providers.

Second Chances helps over 40,000 animals a year and the

support from the Massachusetts Animal Coalition and the public who supports the "I'm Animal Friendly" license plate is crucial," Second Chance CEO Sheryl Blanca.

Massachusetts Animal Coalition is a statewide, nonprofit organization comprised of animal professionals and individual volunteers dedicated to working together to decrease the number of homeless, neglected, displaced and abused animals in Massachusetts. MAC's "I'm Animal Friendly" license plate program helps fund spay and neuter programs across the state. These charitable plates are available through Massachusetts RMV and are tax-deductible. More information can be found at www.petplate.org.

Second Chance Animal

Services is a nonprofit animal welfare organization founded in 1999. Second Chance began as an animal shelter and grew to help more pets in need. Today SCAS operates three community veterinary hospitals in North Brookfield, Springfield, and Worcester providing access to the highest-quality veterinary care for all. Subsidized rates are provided to underserved communities to ensure access to care for all pets in need. Second Chance helps over 40,000 pets a year through full-service veterinary care, spay/neuter services, adoption services, community and educational outreach programs, training and a pet food pantry.

For more information, to volunteer or to make a donation, visit www.secondchancenimals.org.

21 years. Our hearts are heavy with our loss and the reality of what may have happened to our daughter, but we are hopeful that there will be resolution and that no one else will ever be harmed. We are proud of Molly's legacy of keeping children safe, advocating for families, and we feel it most strongly right now, reflected in our community."

The family has asked Early's office to provide their public statement to the press.

"It is with grateful hearts that we extend our appreciation to the work of the Massachusetts State Police detectives, particularly Detective Michael MacDonald, and Worcester District Attorney's office, and the determination of both former District Attorney John Conte and current DA Joe Early," according to the statement.

"To the reporters who shared Molly's story, we could not be here today, without your help," it reads. "To our family and friends, we are forever grateful for your love and strength supporting us over the past

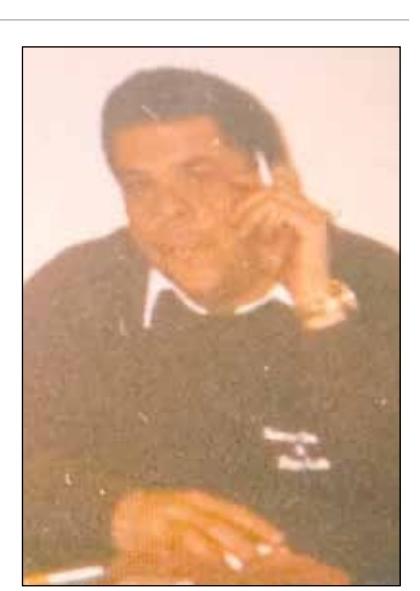
MOLLY from page 2

Photos of Sumner bear a resemblance to artist's renderings of a man Molly's mother, Magi Bish, saw in the Comins Pond parking lot the day before her daughter's disappearance. She was dropping her daughter off at her job, and gave police a description of the man.

The family has asked Early's office to provide their public statement to the press.

"Thank you to those brave people who provided tips and information to the detectives," it read. "We recognize how hard and scary that can be. Our community took action on June 27, 2000, and they have not stopped supporting our search for the person responsible for hurting our Molly. You have buoyed us. When they say, it takes a g to raise a child, our village in Warren, Massachusetts has carried our broken hearts, and now helps us heal. We are so grateful for each and everyone of you. Thank you."

Francis "Frank" P. Sumner Sr. has been named a person of interest in the murder of Molly Bish, Worcester County District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr. He is asking anyone with information on Sumner, who died in 2016, or any additional information on the Molly Bish case, to call the anonymous tip line at 508-453-7575.





Quabbin Senior Class Secretary Nathan Legare leads the Pledge of Allegiance as Quabbin school administrators, school committee members and faculty join in.

QUABBIN from page 1

Following the presentation of the colors by the NJROTC color guard, senior class secretary Nathan Legare led the audience in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Class President Benjamin Hood welcomed the audience. He said he always wondered why graduation was such a big deal, but now here he understands. He said this graduating class and a few to come stepped away from cultural norms. "We were allowed to express ourselves... and established as go getters for progress and change," he said.

Devine said this is an important night; it brings to a conclusion their high school career. "I hope the sun shines on your life like it did tonight," he said.

Class valedictorian Isabella Howard thanked all parents and guardians for their support during remote learning. "I'm a nervous person, nervous about this speech, then will be nervous about getting my wisdom teeth out," she said. Wisdom teeth were the last symbol of adolescence and they would grow no more teeth, she said, and no one stops learning; here at Quabbin all are lifelong learners.

Salutatorian Thomas Doyle spoke next. He said this was not what their graduation should be. The band should be here, the chorus and sitting in bleachers. There was no prom or senior trip. He said, "We got through this year, learned how to speak with masks on and worked with technology challenges. We are rock stars."

Muir quoted the class salutatorian, "You truly are rock stars." She said she knew their time at Quabbin prepared them well. She said during the pandemic in-person social relationships were not available. She quoted Dr. Martin Luther King, "What are you doing for others?" She left the graduates a lifelong assignment and challenged them to do one thing for someone else each day. She then certified the Class of 2021 and said they met all requirements set



Robert Ethan Bruso gets his friends to join him in one last huddle as Quabbin seniors before the ceremony.

by the Quabbin Regional School District Committee and the commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Prior to the handing out of diplomas, QRSD School Committee Chairman "Lee" Wolnanin said, "When the school needed its senior class, your leadership was there and you stepped up." He said, "We needed you to embrace hybrid and protocols as the under classes looked to you to lead them." He concluded with a four word quote from his favorite half human, "Live long and prosper."

The superintendent and school committee chair handed out diplomas as the high school principal read the names. Class advisors Kayleigh Baker and Whitney Marshal assisted. After handing out diplomas to the class officers, valedictorian and salutatorian, Class of 2021 members received diplomas in alphabetical order. Benjamin Hood received the first diploma and Zack Wilson the last. Marshal raised each row and seated each row after they received their diplomas. School Committee member William Hansen handed the diploma to his daughter, Julianna Amato-Hansen.

Senior class Vice-President Emma Lungberg led the Class of 2021 in the moving of the tassels. Following a long-standing tradition, the new graduates tossed

their mortar boards into the air. They then processed out single file to the recessional "Captain America March" by Alan Silvestri and arranged by Michael Brown.

Three graduates will enter the military and 24 the workforce. Seventy-three of the graduates will attend four-year colleges, 16 will attend two-year schools and three post graduate programs. Schools they will attend this fall included: American University, American International College, Anna Maria College, Assumption College, Bentley University, Brandeis University, Clarkson University, Colby-Sawyer College, College of Holy Cross, College of William and Mary, Endicott College, Fitchburg State University, Framingham University, Hofstra University, Mount Wachusett Community College, Northeastern University, Quinnipiac University, Quinsigamond Community College, Salem State University Springfield College, University of Maine, University of New Hampshire, University of Massachusetts (Amherst, Boston), University of Rhode Island, Westfield State University, University of New Haven, Vassar College, Worcester Polytechnic Institute and Worcester State University.

QUABOAG REGIONAL Graduates



Dr. Brett Kustigian, Superintendent of Schools praised the Class of 2021 for their resilience and sense of humor.



Graduates hug and congratulate each other following graduation.



Quaboag seniors stand during their graduation ceremony last Saturday morning.

2021 Quabbin Regional High School Graduates



Elizabeth Borelli
Ware
Keene State College
Keene, N.H.
Music technology



Tynan Breeds
Hardwick
Chattanooga State
Chattanooga, TN
Aerospace engineering,
non-destructive testing



Emma Briggs
Hardwick
American University
Washington DC
Political science



Robert Bruso
Ware
Anna Maria College Paxton
Nursing



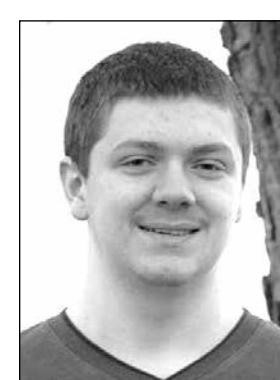
Abigail Cook
Ware
Holyoke Community
College Holyoke
Human services



Gabriella Crabtree
Hardwick
Undecided



Michael Grout
Ware
Workforce police officer



Gabriel Guertin
Ware
University of Maine
Orono, ME
Wildlife ecology



Rachel Hamilton
Wheelwright
Post graduate Quabbin
Regional High School
Barre



Benjamine Hood
Hardwick
Worcester Polytechnic
Institute Worcester



Serena LaPete
Ware
Springfield Technical
Community College
Springfield
Diagnostic medical
sonography



Eric LaPorte
Ware
Westfield State University
Westfield
Movement science



Kyle Marrone
Hardwick
Local 7 JATC program
Springfield
Electrician



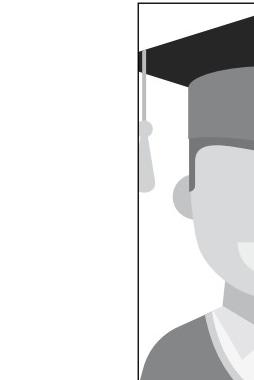
Bailey Metcalf
Hardwick
Springfield College
Springfield
Health science



Kyle Nastasi
Hardwick
Springfield College
Springfield
Undecided



Gabriel Noel
Hardwick
Springfield College
Springfield
Multimedia design



Andrew Olkowski
Ware
University of Tennessee,
Knoxville, TN
Communications



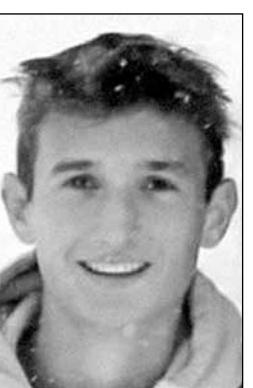
Michael Pfister
Ware
Military US Army



Shea Skowyra
Hardwick
University of New England
Biddeford, ME
Exercise science



Kenny Stolgitis
Hardwick
Quinnipiac
University
Hamden, CT
Undecided
engineering



Zack Wilson
Hardwick
Mount
Wachusett
Community
College
Gardner

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Legal Notice**FY2022 Fuel Bid**

Legal Notice Town of Hardwick, MA is seeking FY2022 Invitation for Bids for Low sulfur diesel fuel, #2 heating fuel for public buildings, propane, heating equipment service specifications in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30B, Section 5. The bid will be awarded based on the most responsible, responsive bidder offering the lowest price. The IFB will be available on June 1, 2021 in the Hardwick Highway Barn 179 Petersham Road, Hardwick, MA bids must be sealed and clearly marked "HWY IFB - FY2022 Diesel, Heating, Propane" and are due no later than 1:00 PM on June 18, 2021 in the Town of Hardwick Highway Barn, 179 Petersham Road, Hardwick, or mail to PO Box 575, Gilbertville, MA 01031. The contact person is Marty Gryszowka, Superintendent 413-477-6705 or highway@town-ofhardwick.com. The Town reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to only award a contract if it is in the best interest of the Town to do so.

06/03, 06/10/2021

PUBLIC NOTICE

The MassHire Franklin Hampshire Workforce Board (FHWB) announces a Request for Proposals (RFP) seeking one or more vendors to develop and carry out a two-year youth service strategy involving effective providers of youth services and working with the FHWB, the Franklin Hampshire Employment and Training Consortium (FHETC) and the MassHire Franklin Hampshire Career Center (MFHCC).

Vendors are sought for youth programming to be carried out in the Franklin Hampshire region funded through Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Title I. This RFP solicits proposals for a 24-month program. A total of \$420,000 is projected to be available to fund activities that will take place during the twelve months from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022. The contract will be for an initial 12-month period, renewable for an additional 12 months based on a positive performance review and availability of funds for Calendar Year 2023. Proposals are due August 31, 2021 by 4:30 p.m. A BIDDERS CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD JUNE 24,

2021 @ 10:30 A.M. VIA ZOOM. PLEASE E MAIL INFO@MASSHIREFWB.ORG FOR DETAILS.

The Request for Proposals explaining what is requested, who is eligible to apply and how to apply is available on our website <https://www.masshirefhwb.org/rfp-youth/>.

Any and all questions regarding the solicitation must be received by email at info@masshirefhwb.org by July 26, 2021.

06/10/2021

Legal Notice**Town of Hardwick****FY2022****Road Materials Bid**

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06/03, 06/10/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts General Law 105A, in order to satisfy past due rents and other expenses, the contents of one Storage Unit of David Ayers and Tekowa Ostrander will be auctioned off at Secure Storage 167 West St., Ware, MA at 9:00 am on June 26, 2021.

Any questions or inquiries call Mary at 413-531-3722.

06/03, 06/10/2021

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 36 Gould Road, Ware, Massachusetts By virtue and in execution of

the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Robert W. Fontaine to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Bank of America, N.A., said mortgage dated January 28, 2011, and recorded in the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds, in Book 10469 at Page 170, and now held by PennyMac Loan Services, LLC, by virtue of an assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Bank of America, N.A., to PennyMac Loan Services, LLC, dated May 30, 2017 and recorded in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds in Book 12645, Page 85, previously assigned by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Bank of America, N.A., to PennyMac Loan Services, LLC, dated April 20, 2017 and recorded in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds in Book 12622, Page 82, for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at Public Auction on

June 25, 2021 at 12:00 PM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

SUBJECT TO a Common Scheme of Restrictions recorded in said Registry of Deeds in Book 2491, Page 337.

BEING the same premises conveyed to the Mortgagor by deed of Ernest M. Shaw, Sr. and Susan D. Shaw recorded herewith in Book 9587, Page 339.

The description of the property that appears in the mortgage to be foreclosed shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

For Mortgagor's Title, see deed dated August 25, 2008, and record-

ed in Book 9587 at Page 339 with the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds.

TERMS OF SALE:

Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described.

SOUTHEASTERLY

by Gould Road, 75 feet;

NORTHEASTERLY

by Lot No. 12, as shown on said plan, 170.12 feet; NORTHWESTERLY by land now or formerly of Steven A. Subjek, 73.91 feet; SOUTHWESTERLY by Lot No. 14, as shown on said plan, 170.55 feet. CONTAINING 12,675 feet more or less.

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the liens of **Country Corners Storage & Realty**, in order to satisfy past due rents and other expenses, the contents of the following storage units will be sold for non-payment on **Saturday, September 12, 2020 at 10 a.m.** on the premises of **Country Corners Storage, 50 Greenwich Rd., Ware, MA** (413)967-6095.

Matthew Peterson: Storage building 2 Unit 22

Jennifer Kent: Storage building 7 unit 17

Kennisha Hunt: Storage building 6 unit 3

John Orszulak: Building 7 unit 18

06/10, 06/17/2021

Please check the accuracy of your legal notice prior to submission (i.e., date, time, spelling).

Also, be sure the requested publication date coincides with the purpose of the notice, or as the law demands.

Thank you.

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came off the bench and scored a late goal giving the Pioneers a 1-0 road win.

"That was my first game playing for this team and when I scored that goal late in the game, it was just an amazing feeling," said Lerech, who also scored a goal in a 2-0 win at AC Connecticut. "I just want to help my team win anyway that I can."

Another first-year Pioneers player is Patrick Agyemang, who scored his first goal of the season in the home opener against the Seacoast United Phantoms, which ended in a 1-1 draw on May 21.

Agyemang scored his second goal at Lusitano Stadium during the fifth minute of last Friday's match.

The scoring play began with Lerech sending a crossing pass to Agyemang on the right side. He then sprinted towards the goal before firing a low shot into the left corner past goalie Daniel Atherton.

"It was a great feeling scoring a goal in front of the home fans," said Agyemang, who's from East Hartford, Conn. "We played with a lot of energy right from the start of tonight's game. We also have a lot of depth, which is very important."

The Pioneers managed to post their third shutout of the season without two key starters. Maxi Viera, who's the Pioneers captain, and Connor Hicks, who's from Monson, sat out the second home match of the season with injuries.

Agyemang and Lerech have built a good chemistry during the first six matches of the season.

"Ignacio and I have been working together at practice. The hard work paid off for us in tonight's game," Agyemang said. "We're starting to gel as a team."

A couple of minutes later, the Pioneers took a 2-0 lead when the ball deflected off a Malaga City defender into the net for an own goal.

During the 26th minute, Lerech received a pass from defender Carlos Emery and chipped a shot



Patrick Agyemang heads toward the sideline for the Pioneers.



Carlos Emery attempts to balance the ball after receiving a pass.

over two defenders into the left corner of the net increasing the Pioneers lead to 3-0.

With less than five minutes remaining in the opening half, Agyemang sent a pass from the left end line into the box where defender Jordan Koduak knocked the ball into the back of the net giving the home team a commanding 4-0 lead.

It was Koduak's second goal of the season.

"It's always nice to have a 4-0 halftime lead," Molinari said. "You do have to worry about your team relaxing a little bit in the second half with a big lead. We just need to keep improving in every game."

The Pioneers will be looking to continue their winning ways at Lusitano Stadium when they host AC Connecticut at 7:30 on Friday night.

The dynamic duo of Agyemang and Lerech were replaced by Guillermo Deal and Khalid Rose

twenty minutes into the second half.

With ten minutes remaining in regulation, Evan Fournier, who graduated from Belchertown High School in 2019, made his first appearance for the Pioneers at Lusitano Stadium. His only shot attempt of match sailed over the crossbar.

"Evan has been on our roster since the beginning of the regular season. We were able to give him the opportunity to get some playing time during the second half of tonight's game," Molinari said. "It's always nice to have the local soccer players on your team."

The Pioneers will be looking to continue their winning ways at Lusitano Stadium when they host AC Connecticut at 7:30 on Friday night.

The Pioneers are schedule to host the Purple Knights for the first time on June 8.

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to come home third aboard the Gomar 76 ride.

Aaron Fellows, like Bleau, recovered from earlier excitement to come home fourth. Kimmy Rivet was fifth, while points leader Todd Patnode was bounced around for 13th on the night.

Brelio's strong run netted him runner-up honors, while youthful strongman Cam Curtis struggled with tire issues all night before claiming third when Robert Hagar, Ryan Currier, and Hayden Scott finished the show in a turn-two heap.

Tommy O'Sullivan charged from row six in the Street Stock main

to take charge on lap 14 and then storm away to duplicate his opening night feature win. Strong and steady Paul Smith was the silver medalist, Nate Wenzel came home third, while points leader Chris Buffone struggled in tenth.

Mini Stock muscleman Gordon Farnum and Ray King started side-by-side again, this week firing from row four. Farnum took the lead from Kevin Clayton and blasted off to his second win of the summer and, with it, passed King for the points lead.

Clayton completed his rock-solid outing in second, with potent Kevin Cormier coming home third.

Just three weeks ago, Jake Bosse was just a kid winning a couple of

Young Guns features. Saturday, the Greenfield, N.H. youth speedster took the Pure Stock lead from Cory Lofland on lap two and sped away to his career-first win, keeping 50-years-young star Chris Davis in his shadow the final 11 laps. JD Stockwell was strong in third.

Fast Eddie Petruskevicius led all the way in the caution-free Young Guns 15. He was joined in trophy row by Teagan Edson and Leilei Daniels.

Next Saturday, June 12, the NHSTRA Modifieds will run twin 35-lap Quest For The Cup events atop a full card of racing at Monadnock Speedway. For more information, please visit www.

monadnockspeedway.com.

MONADNOCK SPEEDWAY**JUNE 5:**

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Cloutier, Cameron Houle

LATE MODEL SPORTSMEN**(UNOFFICIAL):** Justin Littlewood,

Austin Brelio, Camdyn Curtis, Chase Curtis, Dan Comeau, Ryan Currier, Hayden Scott, Robert Hagar, Cole Littlewood, Nancy Muni Ruot.

STREET STOCKS: Tommy

O'Sullivan, Paul Smith, Nathan Wenzel, Jason Kozacka, Hillary Renaud, Mike Radzuik, Greg Williams, Chris Lindquist, Joe Arena, Chris Buffone, Keith Johnson, Nathaniel Nunez, Timothy Wenzel, Rupert Thompson, Leighton Lutz

MINI STOCKS: Gordon Farnum, Kevin Clayton, Leilei Daniels, Eddie Gomar, Jeff Moffat Jr., Aaliyah Tacy, Dominick Stafford.

Kevin McKnight, Jake Puchalski, Ricky Whipple, Josh Hubbard, Bill Chaffee, Jeff Heath, Matthew Lambert, Raymond King, Deion Russell, (DNS) Tim LeBlanc, (DNS) Michael Douglas

PURE STOCKS: Jake Bosse, Chris Davis, JD Stockwell, Cory Lofland, Jason LeRay, Jimmy Zellman, Nick Houle, Carter Chamberlin, Billy Graham, Ryan Lawliss, Damien Houle, Kyle Robinson Newell, (DNS) Nathan Roy

YOUNG GUNS: Eddie Petruskevicius, Teagan Edson, Leilei Daniels, Eddie Gomar, Jeff Moffat Jr., Aaliyah Tacy, Dominick Stafford.

felt nice to come out on top for a change."

The Pioneers final goal of the match was scored by Beaulieu late in the fourth quarter.

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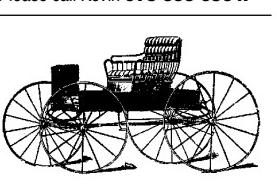
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